



96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

415 ILCS 5/17.9 new

Amends the Environmental Protection Act. Creates the Task Force on Pharmaceuticals and Personal Care Products and Other Emerging Contaminants in Drinking Water. Provides for the appointment of Task Force members by the Director. Provides that the Task Force must initially focus on evaluating pharmaceuticals and personal care products and other emerging contaminants. Specifies certain data that the Task Force must evaluate. Provides that the Task Force must submit its findings, along with recommendations for legislation, to the General Assembly by December 31, 2010. Repeals the Section creating the Task Force on July 1, 2011. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning safety.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Environmental Protection Act is amended by
5 adding Section 17.9 as follows:

6 (415 ILCS 5/17.9 new)

7 Sec. 17.9. Task Force on Pharmaceuticals and Personal Care
8 Products and Other Emerging Contaminants in Drinking Water.

9 (a) The Task Force on Pharmaceuticals and Personal Care
10 Products and Other Emerging Contaminants in Drinking Water
11 (Task Force) is established for the purpose of providing a
12 larger understanding of the environmental consequences of the
13 use of these products that are being found in drinking water.

14 (b) The Task Force shall consist of the Director of the
15 Illinois Environmental Protection Agency or his or her designee
16 and 7 members appointed by the Director. Appointed members must
17 possess knowledge and expertise in one or more of the fields
18 relevant to testing community water supplies, both surface and
19 groundwater systems, including but not limited to analytical
20 chemistry, pharmacology, toxicology, risk assessment, and
21 hydrology. The members of the Task Force may organize
22 themselves as they deem necessary and shall serve without
23 compensation.

1 The Task Force shall initially focus on evaluating
2 pharmaceuticals and personal care products and other emerging
3 contaminants, as the Task Force deems appropriate. In
4 evaluating environmental consequences, the Task Force shall
5 consider, among other things, the following research and
6 guidance, conducted or provided by the U.S. Environmental
7 Protection Agency, pursuant to the Safe Drinking Water and
8 Clean Water Acts, and United States Geological Survey (USGS):

9 (1) Research data analyzing the effects of emerging
10 contaminants on aquatic wildlife, including fish, and any
11 evidence linking that research data to human health
12 problems.

13 (2) Studies of the accuracy of current technology,
14 including analytical procedures, for testing trace amounts
15 of emerging contaminants (both individual chemicals and
16 mixtures of chemicals), including the estimated costs of
17 that testing and the availability of laboratories
18 qualified to do that testing.

19 (3) Standards and guidance from federal or other
20 international sources for the testing of both individual
21 chemicals and mixtures of chemicals, and analytical
22 procedures established by the U.S. Environmental
23 Protection Agency for testing trace amounts of emerging
24 contaminants.

25 (4) USGS National Reconnaissance of Pharmaceuticals,
26 Hormones, and Other Organic Wastewater Contaminants in

1 U.S. Streams to determine environmental consequences.

2 (c) No later than December 31, 2010, the Task Force shall
3 submit its findings, along with recommendations for
4 legislation, to the General Assembly. The Agency shall also
5 post the findings of the Task Force on its web site.

6 (d) This Section is repealed on July 1, 2011.

7 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
8 becoming law.